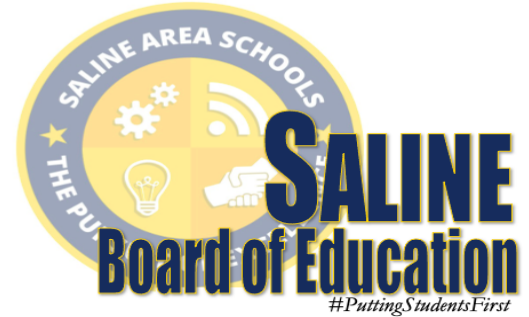


FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING

Liberty School Board Room

August 8, 2023 at 5:00 PM



MINUTES

Brad Gerbe, Chair, Tim Austin, Jennifer Steben

Superintendent Laatsch, Assistant Superintendent Owsley, Recording Secretary Jahnke

1. **Call to Order**

Meeting called to order by Chair, Brad Gerbe at 5:04 pm

2. **Public Comment**

Changming Fan, Community Member - Spoke regarding upcoming City of Saline Master Planning meeting.

3. **Discussion Items**

a. **July 20th... 2023- 2024 Pre-K- 12 Budget Signed into law by Governor Whitmer.**

Highlights of the School Aid Discussion

Student count and per pupil allowance run school budgets. 22% increase in per pupil funding which is about \$450 per student increase. \$450M was set aside into a “rainy day” fund. \$370M to support teachers. \$328M for mental health & school safety. \$254.6M to expand free pre-K for up to 5600 kids working towards PreK for all by the end of the Governor’s 2nd term. \$204.5M increase in funding for academically at-risk students. \$160M to provide free lunch/breakfast for all students. \$150M for individualized tutoring or academic support. \$140.3M to continue expanded support for special education students. \$204.5 at risk students, \$125M to fund matching grants for schools to modernize bus fleet, \$94.4M for literacy in Detroit schools, \$25.5M to expand literacy grants, \$25M to support Math intervention programs, \$25M for vocational, CTE support and \$13.3M to provide additional funding for ELL.

b. **Enrollment**

67 student decrease was taken into consideration in preparing the budget. Tracking Kindergarten enrollment is lower. We are talking to parents who may not be coming back. Galapagos is doing an enrollment student for us. Goal is to right size the district based on smaller numbers. How to increase enrollment? Do we increase SOC? Other revenue generation ideas?

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4. **Public Comment**

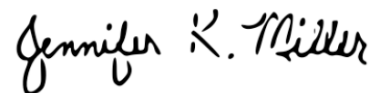
Changming Fan, Community Member - spoke regarding a City/School District land use partnership

5. **Next Meeting:** Tuesday, September 12th at 5 pm.

6. **Adjournment**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:02 pm by Chair, Brad Gerbe.

Respectfully submitted,



Jennifer Miller
Board Secretary

Recorded by: Betty Jahnke